

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE et al.

Applicant(s): Boyle et al.

Serial No.: 08/974,186 Group Art Unit No.: 1632

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For: Osteoprotegerin

Docket No.: A-378D5

RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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This is in response to the Office Action dated July 17, 1998 in which Claims 45-48 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection is requested in view of the remarks set forth below.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as follows:

In the specification:

At p. 10, line 35: after "on", insert -- December 27, 1995 --

At p. 11, line 1: after "no.", insert -- 69970 ---

At p. 11, line 4: after "on", insert -- December 27, 1995 --

At p. 11, line 5: after "no.", insert -- 69971 --. /

At p. 11, line 8: after "on", insert -- December 27, 1995 --; after "no.", insert -- 69969 --.

At p. 11, line 11: after "nos.", insert -- 69969, 69970, and 69971 -

At p. 14, please delete the sentence starting on line 15.

REMARKS

Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures

Pursuant to the Examiner's request, Applicants attach herewith a paper copy of a Sequence Disclosure submitted in the parent application, U.S. Serial No. 08/577,788 which was filed on

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Assistant

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